

The Pocahontas Times,

Hear, Land o' Cakes and brother Scots, Frae Maidenkirck to Johnny Groats, If there's a hole in a' your coats, I rede ye tent it; A chiel's name ye takin' notes, An' faith he'll preat t' Bress

Local Events.

THE Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church south will meet in Hinton, March 3d, instead of 2d, as has been published.

BORN, to Mr and Mrs W. A. Bratton, at Marshall, Va., a daughter, on the 22d day of January, 1898.

G. H. McLAUGHLIN and Howard Bird have set up a corn mill and crusher in the old bowling alley, and grind on Fridays and on such other days as bring enough grain in the mill to warrant getting up steam.

ANOTHER good man gone wrong. Where did he go to? Went to the wrong store to buy rubber shoes and arctics. Where ought he to go? To the Golden Store. Why? Because he sells snow-excluding Arctics at 89c; low Arctics, 59c.

A PRACTICAL illustration of the use of the telephone is to be had in the getting of a state-witness to the trial at this place last Saturday. There was not time to write and a ride of over a hundred miles was saved by telephoning from Hightown and getting a reply.

LAST Sunday was remarkable for the high winds that prevailed. Evidences of a storm centre were to be seen on J. E. Moore's place, near Marlinton, where the storm had torn down a hundred feet of fence, carrying heavy rails fifteen feet and filling the road with debris.

THE Ronceverte News says that the contract for the building of the Greenbrier Railroad has been let to Rinehart, Gooch, Carpenter & Sheppard, and that the work will begin next month. It also states that the probable route is that by Frost, passing in ten miles of Marlinton. In addition to this information, we understand that Mr Rinehart of the above named firm inquired of a citizen of this county whom he met at Covington of the amount of supplies that could be procured in this county, saying that he expected to work a large force of men here next summer.

JACOB S. MOORE, of Elk, has succeeded in trapping two eagles lately. They were both large birds measuring eight feet and more from tip to tip. This is the only neighborhood in which these birds are to be taken as they seem to frequent no other part. It is to be explained probably by the fact that the headwaters of Elk River flow from the highest lands in the Alleghany mountain which are settled by men. The fowls and lambs of the farm bring the eagle to pray upon them and the farmer is compelled to fight in self defense. There is one eagle in this neighborhood which has been in captivity for eight years. It feeds about a dozen times a year and has never been known to drink a drop of water.

URIAH HEVENER, one of the most widely known citizens of Pocahontas, was severely injured by a fall of his horse last week, and is still in a precarious condition. He was on his way to mill carrying a bag of grain. Opposite the residence of William L. Brown there is a very steep bank. In riding down this his horse tripped and fell throwing him on head and the sack of grain on top of him. It is thought that the horse struck him with an upward motion of his head as he fell. Mr Hevener set the grain up on the road side and started through the fields to head off the horse which had gone back towards home. He had walked and run a good distance when a neighbor shouted to him that he had caught the horse. Just as he stopped he collapsed, and lay in the field on the cold ground until he could be carried home, and was thoroughly chilled. Mr Hevener is about seventy years old and the accident was most serious for one of his years.

A STRANGE rig struck Marlinton last Tuesday. It seemed to be a little cabin built on a spring wagon and containing the equipments necessary for camp life. A stove pipe projected through the roof and the whole had the air of comfort necessary even in the coldest weather. A shaggy little horse was attached to what a Pocahontas teamer would have taken a four horse team to pull. To the casual observer this pony seemed right miserable, but a closer acquaintance showed that he was in a good state of preservation, and was still cheerful. He had pulled that awful load over the mountains a distance of about 150 miles. He had not a sore place on him and he has done well as a good and faithful servant. The parties with the turn-out are Mr and Mrs Clayton. The husband is a good deal older than the wife, and said that his occupation was that of a house builder. After a life's work he had saved up a good deal of money, but had lost it all in business in Cumberland. He had been swindled by a man who is now doing six years in the pen it, but it did not bring back the money. The people seemed intelligent and well-bred.

E. D. McClintic, of Seattle, has gone to the Klondike gold mines.

W. B. Ricketts is still at Vancouver, and is not so certain of going on to Alaska.

SINGING at the church next Sunday evening by Professors Waugh, Moore, Rorke, and others.

ASBURY HINER, of Highland, has moved to the Harper mills and has charge of the property for the present.

THERE is a super abundance of haystacks on Knapp's Creek, and feed for hundreds of cattle can be had on most favorable terms.

AMONG the interesting items is the information that a fine son was born December 1st to Rev and Mrs Echols, at Green Sulphur, and named Richard Watson.

O. W. Slaven has returned from the West, and is expected to reach his father's home at Mill Point, next Friday. He is in the last stages of consumption.

W. W. JONES, of Beeville, sold to O. R. Slaven and J. W. Catlin, of Kansas City, 2500 head of coming 2's and 3's, and 2500 head of coming 2's. A thousand of these cattle were delivered yesterday and the balance are spring delivery. The price for the 5000 head is not far from \$95,000.—San Antonio Express (Tex.)

THE latest news from "Rev" John H. Ratliff is a little bit of the worst that has been reported yet. Detective Dawson has been working on the case and Ratliff swore out a warrant against his cousins Joe and Frank Church accusing them of being in a conspiracy to steal horses. Dawson arrested them last Thursday and brought them to jail. They employed McNeil and Rucker as counsel and had set last Saturday for a preliminary hearing. On examination of the evidence the prosecuting attorney decided that there was no case against them and moved that the charge be dismissed.

MUCH interest is being developed in the Marlinton Literary Society. Friday evening was devoted to an exposition of the writings of Lord Tennyson. Goldsmith is the author selected for the next meeting. The committee on constitution and bylaws submitted the voluminous results of much delving into the depths of parliamentary law. It is feared that the thoughts of many members were far away during the reading of this document; for at the conclusion of the reading it was adopted by acclamation, without an exception being taken to a single section, although afterwards motions to amend were made with great freedom. The members were about equally divided on the question of meeting with closed doors, and it was decided to admit only members to the regular meetings. Additional officers were elected as follows: J. H. G. Wilson, critic; E. H. Smith, censor.

LAST Monday evening, the weather being clear the cold, a citizen of Marlinton set two lines in hope of catching a fish on an angle and went to bed. The next morning when he looked out he saw a snow on the ground he thought that he had been foolish in his first attempt of the season. He went to get his lines however. The first seemed to be fast; after some maneuvering a dog-fish was landed. When he got in sight of the other line he saw that it was agitated, and on pulling on it got a sucker about sixteen inches long. The fish kicked around in the snow for a while and apparently died. This was about eight in the morning. It was hung up against the side of a house and when it was taken down about one o'clock, it showed that it was as lively as when it was first taken out or the water. It was immediately killed by a blow on the head, and it is hard to say how long it would have lived out of the water.

REV HENRY McLAUGHLIN, formerly of this county, has recently located in the city of Hampton, the county seat of Elizabeth County. It is a city of several thousand residents and is very old and of much historic interest. It is about 96 miles from Richmond. In 1607 Capt John Smith was exploring the Potomac, looking for a suitable site for a colony, previous to the settlement of Jamestown, and met five of the natives who invited him to their town Kichotan, where Hampton now stands. Here the explorers were feasted with cakes made of Indian corn and "regaled with tobacco and a dance." In return the hospitable natives were presented with beads and other trinkets. It was settled in 1610 by parties from Jamestown, and became a town by incorporation in 1705. It would require a volume to record all that may be suggested by its local history and memoirs of the distinguished people who have lived there and in the vicinity.

THE WAGNER HOTEL,

HUNTERSVILLE, W. VA.

I have opened my hotel and can accommodate every one who stops with me. I have a good house, well furnished, and good beds. For the horse there is plenty of good hay, corn and oats. G. W. WAGNER.

BUCKEYE.

Dennis McNeill made a flying trip to Driscoll last week.

Professors Rorke, Courtney, and Beverage had singing at the upper church Sunday. Singing at Rocky Point next Sunday by Prof. Carter and Hill.

Miss Minnie Wade of Academy, has been visiting in this part for a few days.

A social was given the young people by Mr and Mrs Fleming, of this part, which was real nice, but some of the mischievous boys caused some trouble with 'bounce'. If the boys will keep down we may have another about Groundhog Day.

Colbert Duncan has a boil on his neck which causes him to look sideways at the girls.

Jasper Aldridge is at home from camp again.

Misses Mattie Dorman and Lula Aldridge have been visiting down at Academy.

Mrs Rachel McCoy is very sick and not expected to recover.

Some diphtheria in Mr Hefner's family at present. GOLDEN.

Rain, mud, and a little snow. There is a great deal of sickness in this part at this writing. Some are better and others worse.

Messrs J. D. Rorke, Ken Courtney and brothers, and Will McLaughlin, of Marlinton, attended singing Sunday. We would like to see the professors come oftener, as music is much needed in this vicinity.

O. D. Gay, of Greenbrier, is in town.

Friday night at the social much valuable property was destroyed by some unknown persons on the outside who were so illiberal as to bring their jugs with them.

Messrs C. B. Grimes and J. A. McLaughlin have had some spelling bees which were enjoyed by all. Both schools are progressing nicely.

Mr George Sheets was bit on the ear by a pigeon the other day, which excited him very much for a while.

The Buckeye Hunting Club has been having some sport with foxes. They have killed three and put 5 to hole. Andy Campbell's dogs have broken the record for running. They caught a red fox and in a short time the other day.

I think A. W. Rodgers means business. ANONYMOUS.

Buckeye instead of Dry Creek, as where heretofore represented in these columns.

We are having nice winter weather at present. Some of the people have scarlet fever.

Singing on Sunday evening by Prof Rorke was a great success. We are always glad for Johnny to come around.

The Beavertown school will close January 27, taught by Ernest Hill. Mr Hill expects to attend a normal school the coming summer. POLLY.

DUNMORE.

A little cool. Miss Alice McLaughlin has gone to the Sinks to teach school.

The Busard Brothers are going to make a big saw set at Frost.

Gid Hiner, of Monterey, is going to saw for J. R. Hevener.

H. S. Rucker spent Sunday night in town.

Hugh P. and his dog were up Monday.

Joe Taylor has gone to Huntersville to dry lumber.

Messrs P. D. Yeager, Uriah Hevener, H. M. McLaughlin and J. B. McCutcheon are on the sick list.

The latest is the rail road will go by Glade Hill if the company can get Bill Acres to move his hen roost and the trustees to move the old Glade Hill school house.

There are several debating societies going on in the county, and some of the men and boys have gotten so in the way of making speeches, that you can see them speaking to side walks and nail-holes in plank fences.

Two things Congress ought to do and they are to pension every man and woman who ever heard a cannon snap and pass a hog law to keep the face of all creation from being turned up side down and mixed after it is turned up.

The Dilleys Mill correspondent has never seen or read a copy of the "First Battle" by Hon J. W. Bryan, we presume. If he would read the book and one of Mr Bryan's thoughts would enter his head, it would burst it wide open.

In 1900 our correspondent will think the "First Battle" not so dead an issue as you might imagine.

Arthur Noel was over to Monterey last week to see his betsy Jane. Our community is called upon to mourn the loss of one of her best and most respected citizens, Mr Allen Galford, who died at his home on Saturday night, aged 82 years. Mr Galford was highly esteemed, a good citizen and a man of means and will be greatly missed. He leaves an aged wife, two sons, four daughters and a host of friends to mourn his loss.

Don't forget the auction at Green Bank, February 5. ZACKARIAN TUG MUTTON.

REMANDED TO JAIL.

Preliminary Examination of John Wilfong.

A large crowd scented an interesting time in the hearing of the charges against John Wilfong for stealing Commissioner J. R. Warwick's horse, and a large crowd gathered at the court house last Saturday for the purpose, but they were doomed to disappointment for the prisoner did not go on the stand to testify as to his movements since the 19th of November. The hearing was held before Justice Bird. The prosecuting attorney, Mr McClintic, appeared for the people and Messrs McNeil and Scott for the prisoner. The prisoner's counsel gained an empty victory by quashing the warrant on the grounds that it did not state from whom the horse was stolen. The prosecuting attorney replied that he had noticed the defect that he would try his hand at getting one that would stick, adding dramatically to the deputy sheriff, "Hold that man until I can write a warrant!" The crowd cheered and roused the ire of the court. The accused made no dash for liberty as did Dick Napp on a similar occasion, and in a few moments he was re-arrested in a manner to satisfy the most fastidious.

The owner of the horse testified that the horse had been stolen in the way here-to-for related in this paper. He gave his testimony standing, in the manner of a man making a speech. He added that he had no animosity against the prisoner, but had kept him over night a few days before he stole his horse and that he did not like to be bitten twice by the same snake.

William Hoover, of Rockingham County, testified that the man before him had sold him the horse two days after he had stolen it. He had taken it to the mountains with him to log, and in a few days Mr Warwick had ridden to his camp and claimed the horse. He said he might have been disposed to dispute the ownership had not the horse itself showed such unmistakable signs of recognizing the horse that Mr Warwick was riding. Both horses whinnied and the horse proved himself so completely that he gave him up at once.

G. D. Oliver and C. P. Kerr testified that they had seen the prisoner in the neighborhood the evening of the night the horse was taken.

This made the case for the State and the prisoner introduced no testimony, relying on the inability of the State to present a case strong enough to hold him to the grand jury.

After elaborate argument of counsel, the defendant was remanded to jail in default of bail, fixed at \$500.

Wilfong is not a bad looking man, and has a strong enough jaw on him to make his way in life under any circumstances. He did not open his mouth or even show signs of sensibility during the whole hearing.

Stray Horse with Throat Cut. A day or two ago a dead horse was found about forty yards from the public road near West Union school-house with its throat cut, evidently taken there and killed. No clue to owner or perpetrator of crime. Bay horse, short tail, blaze in face.

THIS is to notify the public that my wife, Roxie A Cochran, has left my bed and board, and that I will no longer be responsible for her support. JONATHAN COCHRAN, January 10, 1898.

The Levels News.

Edited by Payne Bros.

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—Lake Herring at Payne Bros. —At Payne Bros. doors and sash very cheap for cash, —25,000 best shaved shingles at Payne Bros. for sale.

—Fresh prunes, California peaches and apricots very cheap for cash —Pure sugar syrup @ 40c per gallon. Har ess oil at Payne Bros. —Blacksmiths' coal at Payne Bros. Horse Shoes and Nails lower than ever before, at Payne Bros.

—S. J. Payne, of Payne Bros., is off to Baltimore this week with a car-load of hogs and cattle. Will buy new goods while there.

—Canned fruits and vegetables of all kinds just received. Get our prices before buying.

—Hoax —Bjones seems to be in a great stew; he's been prying the floor all the evening and can't be induced to sit down. Hoax —It's not a stew that's troubling him, but a boil.

—Senator Elkins has introduced a bill to pay the Methodist Episcopal church at Point Pleasant \$1010 for the occupation of their building by United States troops during the war.

—McGibbs is a contemptible creature. "In what particular way?" "Well, he is the kind of man who would send another man a Sunday newspaper without marking the article he wants him to read."—Chicago Times-Herald.

Shooting Scrape at Dunmore.

James H. Bird shot and mortally offended big William McLaughlin; last week. The shooting occurred at Bird's house. McLaughlin had gone to Bird's to settle up for a deal in furniture which Bird owed him for. And from that time on they disagreed as to the course of events. The account McLaughlin gave of the affair is that he rode up to Bird's house and Bird came out to the fence. They talked until they fell out and Bird called him a "D—d liar. McLaughlin got down from his horse on the side opposite from Bird to avenge the insult and was walking around the horses head in the direction of Bird when he fired at a distance of eighteen feet. Bird snapped at him once with his victim looking squarely in the muzzle of the revolver. The second time he depressed the pistol and the shot took effect over the stomach, ranging down thro overcoat, coat, vest and under clothing, and made a wound in the fleshy part of the hip about two inches deep. He rode home, the bullet dropping out on the way. The hurt was dressed and while painful it is not dangerous. Every pistol should be confiscated and destroyed.

Bird's account, confirmed by his wife, who was the only witness of the shooting, is that when they had fallen out he ran into the house. McLaughlin advanced on him and raised a chair which was in the room and was in the act of striking him when he took a pistol which was lying on the table and shot him. The downward tendency of the ball is accounted for by Bird by the extremely close quarters of the parties, and by McLaughlin by Bird being on the bank above him.

An interesting reminiscence is related of these two men in this connection. A few years ago Bird was indicted for carrying a pistol. His friend, McLaughlin, who is a big, whole souled lumberman, took the matter up and was disposed to make it a personal matter betwixt him and Pocahontas county. There are many who remember what an open grievance he was disposed to make of it.

A warrant was issued for Bird. He secured H. S. Rucker for counsel, and a preliminary hearing was to be had on Monday.

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Have a few Overcoats which we will sell low. We will save you from 25 to 50 per cent on all goods. Come and see before buying elsewhere, and see if we don't mean just what we say.

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